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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Nicholas F. Baida  
Serial No. : 09/992,172<sup>✓</sup> Group Art Unit: 2859  
Filed : 14 November, 2001 Examiner: Hoolahan, A.  
For : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MAKING PRECISE MEASUREMENTS  
AND CUTS WITH A MEASURING TAPE

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated October 7, 2002. Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$465.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1529.

Respectfully submitted,

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